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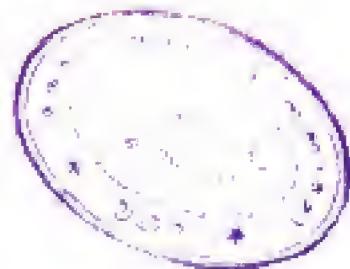
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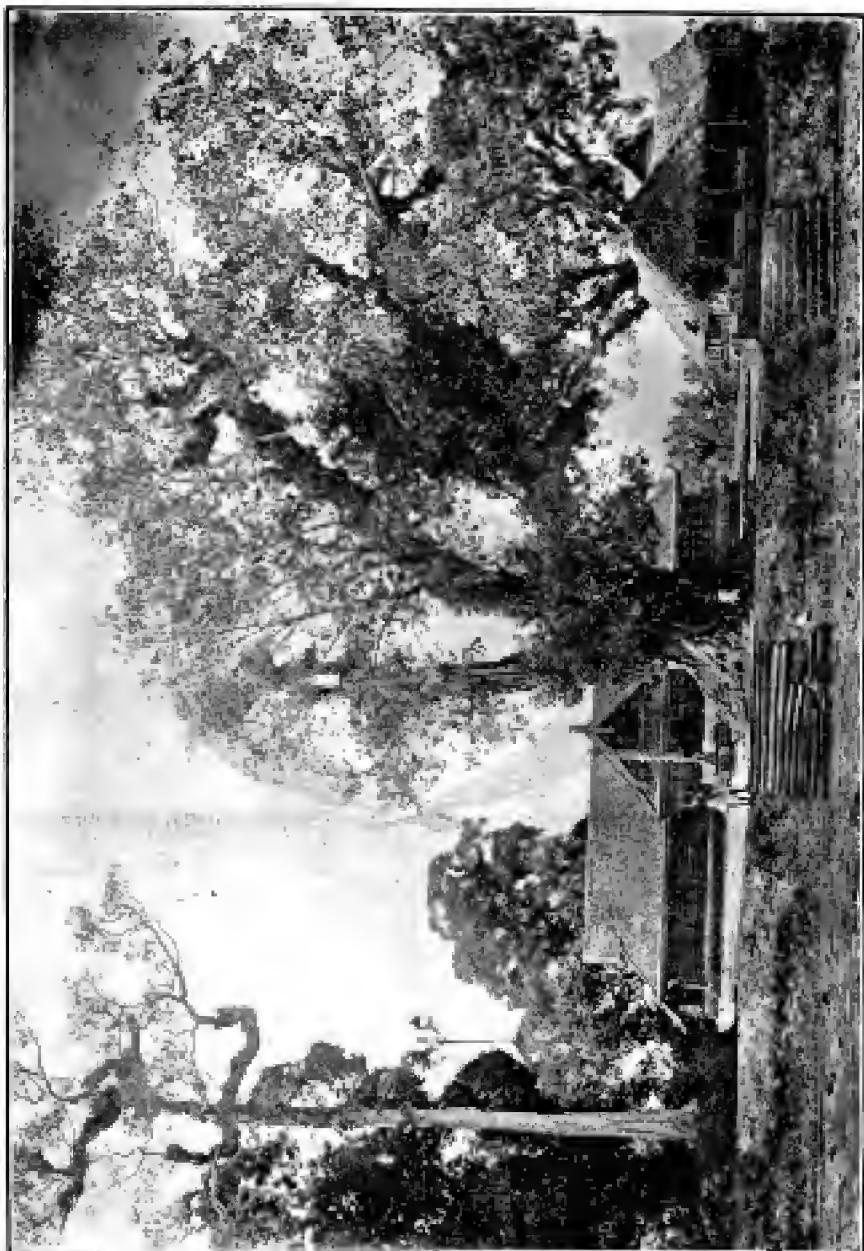


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VIEW OF A VILLAGE IN KERALA.
[Photograph.]



**Proceedings of the Government of His Highness
the Maha Raja of Travancore.**

Read :—

Letter No. 542/31, dated the 30th November 1931 from the Superintendent of Archaeology forwarding the Administration Report of the Department of Archaeology for 1106 B. C.

**ORDER D. DIS. NO. 100/32/EDN., DATED TRIVANDRUM,
29TH JANUARY 1932.**

Recorded.

2. During the year under review, besides the continuance of other works, such as copying of inscriptions, etc., in the State and outside, the Department attempted an exposition of the art of Pantomime (Kathakali) in Kerala, the main feature of which is a highly specialised variety of hand poses (Mudrās) and gestures of the body and limbs. The diagrams prepared by the Superintendent to exemplify the Mudrās have been found to be very instructive.

3. The Superintendent has also undertaken an investigation of the subject of worship and ritual in Kerala temples. The results of this investigation are awaited.

(By order)

(Sd.) **K. GEORGE,**
Chief Secretary to Government.

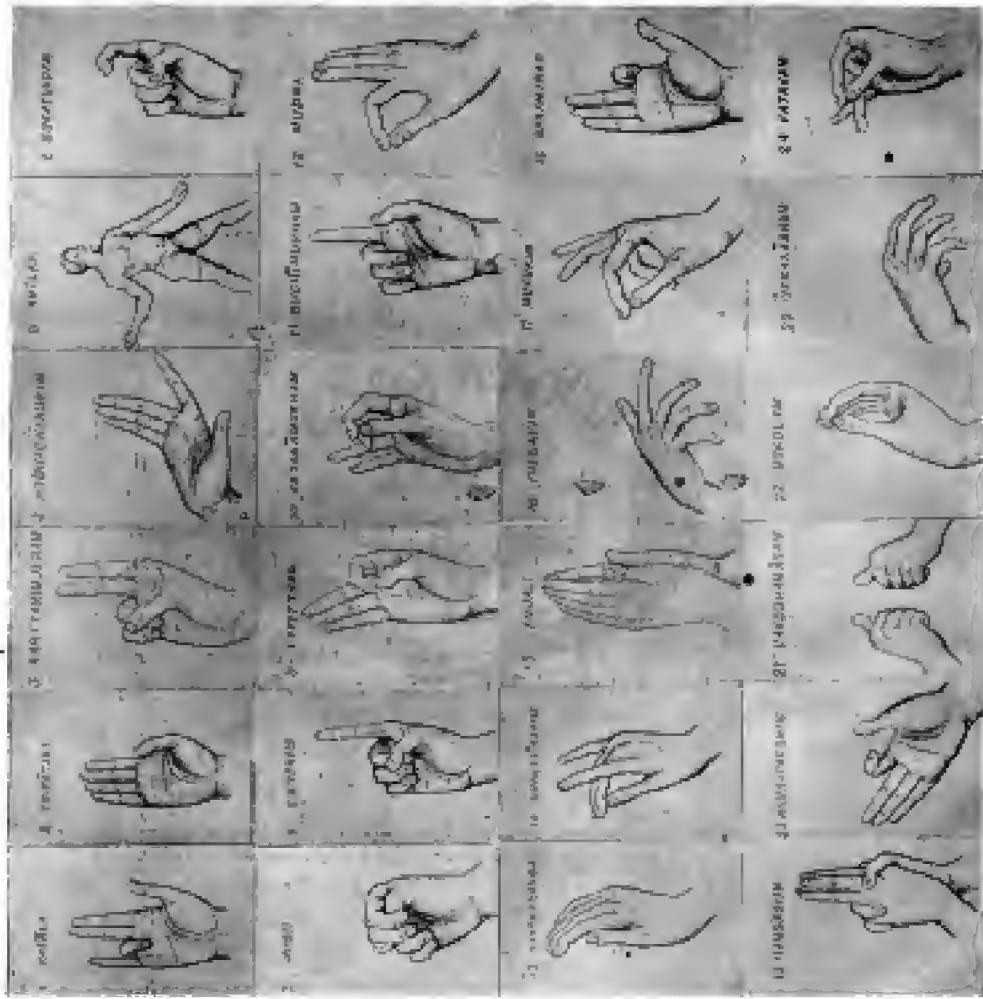
To

The Superintendent of Archaeology.
The Superintendent, Government Press.
The Press Room.
The Legislative Section.





PRINCIPAL HAND POSES IN THE ART OF MALABAR PANTOMIME [To face page 1]



Office of the Superintendent of Archaeology,
Trivandrum, 30th November 1931.

No. 542/31.

From

The Superintendent of Archaeology,
Trivandrum.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Trivandrum.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith the Administration Report of the Archaeological Department for the year ending the 31st Karkidakam 1106 M. C. (16th August 1931).

General. There was no change in the staff of the Department. The photographer Mr. D. Srinivasan Potti availed himself of 20 days privilege leave, no substitute being appointed.

Tours. A fairly comprehensive plan of archaeological work was attempted in the itineraries of the Department. I spent 79 days in camp and visited 75 places; and the Pandit-Assistant Mr. K. Sivaramakrishna Sastry camped for 37 days and visited 18 places. In the course of our tours, twenty five new inscriptions were copied from eight different places (Vide Appendix E); and their texts have been subsequently deciphered and transcribed. Thirty two places were visited for the examination of epigraphical records with a view to ascertaining the possibility of further inscriptional work. An exploration was made of 13 places not previously visited to investigate their archaeological importance as well as to collect antiquities; and an inspection of 10 old sites was undertaken for the examination of old monuments and the state of their conservation. Visits were made to 6 places to examine old "olai" records (palm leaf manuscripts) relating to history, religion, architecture and sculpture; and 14 places were visited for the examination and study of typical specimens of art including architecture, stone sculpture, wood work, painting and iconography which are attractive features of our temples. Lastly, Christian antiquities in as many as five places were also examined, and their value and importance estimated. A list of places visited is given in Appendix A.

Epigraphy. An important work of the Department done in the year was in connection with epigraphy. Two Tamil inscriptions dated in Kollam 604 were copied from a rock lying south of the Agastisvaram temple. On examination, they were found to be

a continuation of the records Nos. 6 & 7 of 1103. Estampages of five "inscriptions all in Tamil were taken from outside the State, two from Sriwilliputtur and three from Tinnevelly (Vide Government letter D. Dis. No. 1405 of 30/Edn, dated 8th December 1930). Of the former, one from the Perumāl temple states that while the king Sākaranārāyanapū Venrumārkōdā Bhūtala Vīra Udayamārttāyāda Varman of Trippāppur was staying at Valliyur, he made a gift of land for conducting the service called Vīramārttāyādan-Sāvī in the temple of the Goddess, for feeding thirty three Brahmins daily in the Vīra-Mārttāyādan matham, also called Tiruvēngadalāsām mātham, and for special worship on the day of Sāvī every month. The other one from the Āyādāl temple while recording the same gift also mentions the boundaries of the land endowed. Both are dated in Kollam 709 Adi 16.

The Tinnevelly inscriptions were copied from the Nelliappar temple, of which the first two dated in Kollam 721 belong to the reign of Sankili Vīra-Mārttāyāda Varma, a Travancore king who does not figure in the inscriptions hitherto discovered by the Department. One of them records that images of 63 Nāyāndās and 9 other saints were made of copper, due puja given, and that some additions to the mandapam in front of the central shrine were made, for which certain taxes such as māraḍai, māraṇḍai, pāṭi-vilai, etc., were arranged to be utilised. The other one registers the gift of land by the same king when camping at Chēravannāmādēvi for conducting the service Sankili-Vīramārttāyādan sāvī and for ḍīppāṇi in the shrines of Tirukkāma-Kōttutu-Ājudaiya Naḍhiyār and Nayānar in the temple of Tirunelveli Udaya Nayānar. The last one from the Nelliappar temple, Tinnevelly, defines the boundaries of Kuppāyakkuḍi of Añubhōgavālamādu alias Revīvarma-Chaturvedimāṭigalām, which is a dēvadāna-brakmādēśa, and given to the Brahmins of Revīvarma Chaturvedimāṭigalām.

The rest of the inscriptions 15 in number were copied from the Cochin State as per orders of Government; (Vide Government letter D. Dis. No. 1053 of 30/Edn, dated 20th September 1930) and are of importance being in Vaṭṭeluttu and mostly relating to Chēra kings. Of these, two are from Pāgarepan-tāli temple of which the one engraved on the base of the Subrahmāṇya temple, though fragmentary, is clear in its reference to a certain king named Kō-Āliccha Irāṭī Irāṭāmar alias Iratātīchā The other, on the base of the ruined vāṭambalam in front of the central shrine of the Sīva temple, registers a sankēṭam between the sīr of Tirupparanpāl and the kōṭi of Ānaiyolukku, and mentions a king Bhūmīdhara-Kāyira Tiravāḍi

* My thanks are due to Dr. Hiransuda Sastri, Government Epigraphist for India for having kindly supplied me a copy of their transcripts.

of Parappur. One inscription belonging to the reign of Rājasiṅha Perumāl was copied from a stone slab kept in the Church of Tālaikkāḍu near Aviṭṭattūr, in which are detailed the boundaries of the land given to certain Vāpiyars by the *grām* of Tālaikkāṭṭūr for erecting stalls. We have unfortunately no records to fix the date of this Chēra king : but from paleographical evidence, it is possible to assign it to the 9th or 10th century A. D. Another record was also engraved on the same slab, but it was found to have been damaged.

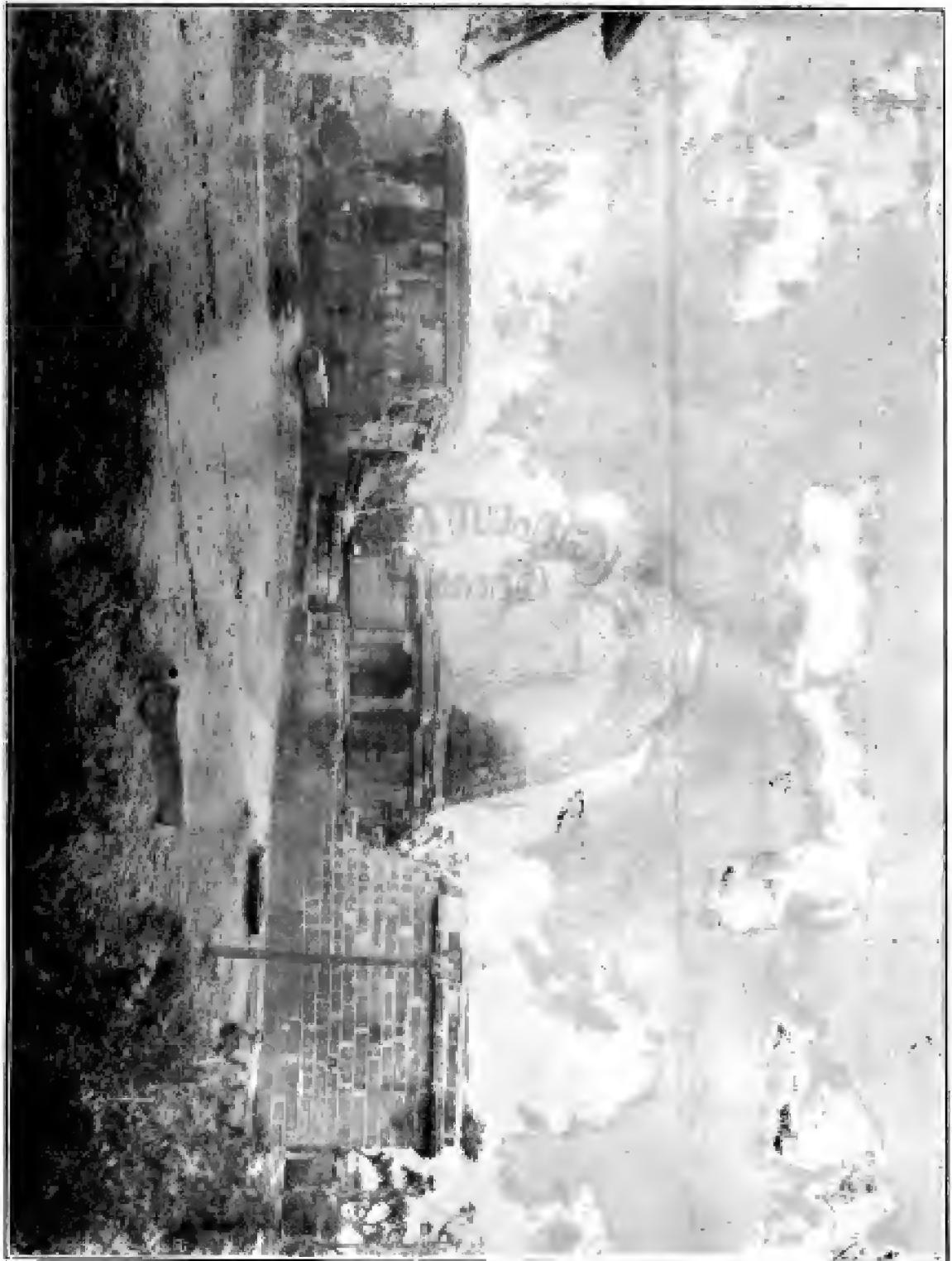
The next eight inscriptions were copied from the temple of Tali, once a flourishing village. One of them relating to the Chēra king Bhūkura-Iravi, registers a *kaṭcham* transaction by the *nāṭṭar* of 18 *ndūs* and *adhibhārakal* of Nityavichārēśvara, and states that from the land belonging to Śrīdhara Nathacchi alias Tribhuvana Mādēvi, a certain quantity of paddy was to be given for *śāntirūpatti*, *tirumāṇi* etc. The second refers to certain transactions made by the Tali and Tali *adhibhār* of Nityavichārēśvara on the one side, and the *Patandiyar* of Nedumpurayūr on the other, when Kumāran Iravi of Maṭhaḍu was ruling the country; and that subsequently during the regime of Kaṇḍu Kumāran of Talikkulatu, Iravik-kāmāpiṭār of Nedumpurayūr, the *Patandiyar* ratified the deed with some changes, and gave a *trāvū-tīṭā* to the Tali and Tali *Adhibhār* of Nityavichārēśvara. The third is damaged and fragmentary; but refers to an agreement by some persons for the conduct of daily offerings in the temple. The fourth though partly damaged belongs to the 10th year of Yākō-Irāyar, and seems to state that while Maṭhaḍu Kumāran Iravi was ruling the country, a transaction was made. The fifth belongs to the 17th year of the Chēra king Kō-Kōṭai Iravi, and refers to a transaction made by the *taṭṭiyār* and *talipāṭikār* of Nityavichārēśvara. The sixth registers an agreement during the reign of the Chēra king Kō-Indēśvaraṇ Kōṭai between the *nāṭṭar* of 18 districts and the *adhibhārakal* of Nityavichārēśvara on the one side and Iyakkan on the other. The last two of the Tali records are fragmentary, and refer to some provisions made for worship and offerings in the temple.

The four inscriptions copied from the Siva temple at Aviṭṭattūr may also be mentioned among the important epigraphical collections of the year. The first of them which belongs to the 20th year of the Chēra king Kō-Kōṭai Iravi registers that some lands were set apart for the temple, and mentions the “*ayiravar*” or the “thousand” of Aviṭṭattūr. Two others are quite damaged; while the fourth records some gifts to the temple for the conduct of *Pōjās*. Lastly,

three fragmentary inscriptions copied from the base of the *Śrīmāla-*
śāṭagam in front of the Vaṭṭakkuṇāṭhan temple, Trichur, speaks of
 one Kāvivra, chief of Veṅkūggūḍa as having supplied the said
Śrīmālaśāṭanam with a stone basement. Besides these inscriptions,
 the epitaphs of 12 Portuguese Tombstones unearthed during the
 Cochin Harbour works were also examined, and their readings
 noted. (Vide Appendix D.)

Conservation. An aspect of archaeological work which received prominent attention in the year relates to the work of conservation of ancient monuments in the state such as temples and the objects of antiquity abounding in them. A list of such ancient structures noted by the Department has been prepared, and the procedure to be followed in their preservation has already been laid down on general lines by Government in G. O. No. E. 3938 dated 2nd November 1908, and subsequently reiterated in G. O. No. E. 3486/360 dated 2nd October 1915, by which the "Peishars will arrange for information being given to the Superintendent of Archaeology if any historical temple or other building is to be taken up for repair, so as to enable the Superintendent to go to the spot, if necessary, and make any suggestions regarding the preservation of anything of epigraphical, historical or architectural value." The Dēvasvam and Maramat Departments had been inaugurated in the State since; and the function of the Peishar had naturally devolved upon the Dēvasvam Commissioner and the Maramat Engineer, in defining whose duties the purport of the two G. Os was lost sight of. With a view to modify the Government order so as to make its provisions binding on the Dēvasvam Commissioner and the Maramat Engineer, whenever any work of repair, renovation or maintenance etc. was undertaken by their Departments, Government was addressed by me in my letter No. 353/30 dated 15th August 1930, in which I submitted that there has been a considerable growth of archaeological perception in recent years; and instead of only caring for historical monuments, there has arisen an interest in preserving all those beautiful and striking objects of antiquity which not only throw light on past civilisations, but make the past live for the profit of the present and future. In other words, all remains of the past such as buildings, palaces, forts, temples etc. having an architectural, historical or artistic interest, and all memorials of the past contained in them such as inscriptions, paintings, woodwork, sculpture etc. valuable as models of ancient art and handicraft, and any other objects of priceless value and artistic interest which can never be replaced under conditions of modern workmanship, were recommended for conservation. I also submitted that there has been a perceptible loss in aesthetic quality involved in the

GENERAL VIEW OF EXCAVATED CHALCOLITHIC TRUFLA (RECOMMENDED FOR CONSERVATION) (To face page 4.)







HAND POSES (MUDRAS)

IN HINDU ART

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preservation and renovation of some of the religious edifices of the State, due to the placing of new work in juxtaposition with old, which should as far as possible be avoided. Lastly, Government was requested to take all possible measures through the Divasvam and the Maramat Departments, to prevent antiquities from perishing in the temples, due from want of care, by exposure, or neglect. Government have been pleased to accept my suggestions, and to issue necessary instructions to the Divasvam Commissioner and the Maramat Engineer (Vide Government letter Dis. No. 1231/30/ Mis. dated 28th October 1930) "to consult the Archaeological Department at every stage in all repairs and renovation of ancient monuments, such as temples, palaces, etc, in regard to the best way of conserving the objects of antiquity abiding in them". Government have since been requested by me to take steps for the conservation of the Sundararajapperumal temple at Vindamedu, near Sambarvatakam, and the Cholaparam temple, both old and historical monuments.

ART OF PANTOMIME- (*Kathakali*).

At the instance of Lieut. Colonel H. R. N. Pritchard, Agent to the Governor General, and with the sanction of the Dewan, a work not before attempted was taken in hand during the year with a certain measure of success. It relates to the exposition of the Art of Pantomime (*Kathakali*) in Kerala, the main feature of which is a highly specialised variety of hand poses (*Mudrās*) and gestures of the body and limbs.

Considerable time was spent in preparing the diagrams of the principal Hand Poses relating to the art and to their interpretation. A short descriptive account of the "Kathakali" with an explanatory note on the gestures and on the subtle devices employed for the expression of the various emotions together with an account of the training actors was prepared under the auspices of Government. The attention of the Congress of orientalists held last September at Leyden was drawn to this work by Prof. Sylvain Levi (Vide his letter dated 19th September 1931) who and other eminent scholars and savants like Dr. Winteritz, Dr. A. B. Keith, Dr. A. Kunmraswami, Dr. Barnett, Dr. Vogel, etc., commended my researches in this field.* A sheet of Diagrams of the Principal "Mudrās" (Hand Poses) as gathered from *Bharata Nātyāśāstra*, *Hastalakshaya-Pradīpikā*, *Kathakali*, *Chilappatikāram* and *Abhinaya Darpana* has been since made (Vide plate) and the interpretation of the "Mudrās" is nearing completion.

* Dr. Bahadurmatha Tigray and the Marpals of Zeyland have since favoured me with their kind appreciation.

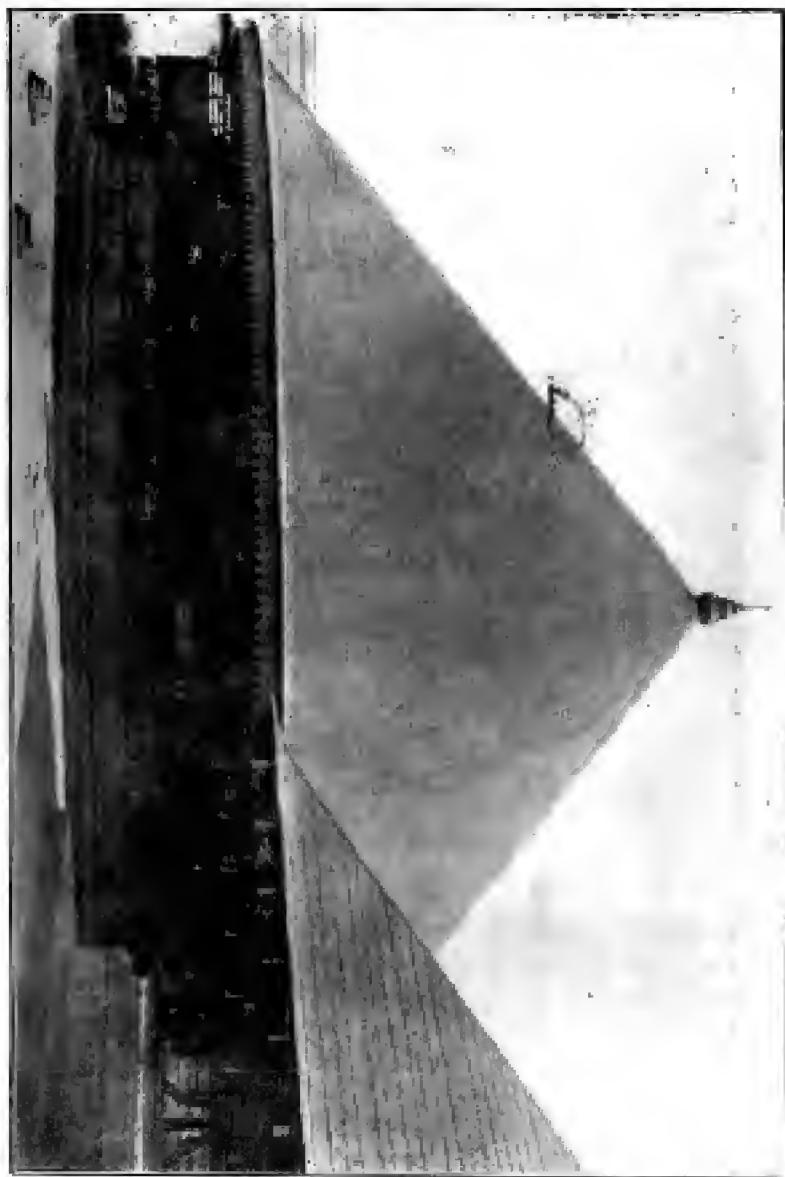
WORSHIP AND RITUAL IN KERALA TEMPLES
AND THEIR SYMBOLISM.

My studies of the "Mudrās" which are but amplifications for secular purposes of the orthodox types of Tāntric and Māṇtric symbols (religious and ritualistic symbols) naturally led me to the collection of some useful information on worship and ritual in Kerala temples and their symbolism, a fascinating subject for investigation. As with all Hindu Ritualistic rites and prescriptions, the real connotation of iconographic symbols in Kerala are shrouded in mystery. Their sense is however embedded in their suggestions appearing in widely different texts specially Māntra Śāstrās, and the ritualistic practices in vogue from early times in Kerala temples. The work has been of a very difficult nature in so far as the symbolism implied in the Trimūrti forms, their saktis and the main forms of the six groups of Tāntric classifications has been decomplexed by a promiscuous com-mingling of Māṇtric, Tāntric and Vēdic texts in Malabar. A note on the subject has been prepared.

Architecture. Another item of work relating to the year was in the field of Malabar Architecture, investigations in which was commenced the year before. My attention was mainly given to the collection of material available from the Śilpaśāstrās on the "Śrīkōṭī" or Central shrine, its construction and forms. Three kinds of it, the circular, square and oblong shapes have been come across in Travancore, of which the first is the more ancient type. On a careful and comparative study of their structure and component parts, it has been inferred that the Circular śrīkōṭī is rather indigenous to Malabar.

Miscellaneous. Fair progress was made in the year in the preparation of the Topographical list of Travancore inscriptions collected up to date. The work in connection with the list of antiquities, the collection of Folklore, and the Bibliography of the sources of Travancore history had to be postponed owing to the researches already mentioned in the field of Mudras, undertaken on the auspices of the Agent to the Governor General and the Government.

Publication. Vol. VII Part 2 of the Travancore Archaeological Series has been seen through the Press. It will be shortly released for distribution and sale. It may be mentioned in this connection that the inscriptions of the Āy Kings in Travancore were published



SPECIMEN OF A COMB JELLY, IN MUSEUM.

(1st Year Page 6.)



in the year with their text and purport in Malayalam in the Archaeological sheet of the Government Gazette; and this new channel of publicity for the work of the Department has been widely appreciated.

Receipts and Expenditure. Subjoined is a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the Department in the year.

RECEIPTS.

		Rs.	Ch.	C.
Sale of Photos	...	19	0	10
Sale of Archaeological publications	...	55	27	8
Sale of Elements of Hindu Iconography	134	10	0	
Miscellaneous	...	8	8	4
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Total...	217	18	6	
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EXPENDITURE.

Salary of the Superintendent of Archaeology	...	1,500	0	0
Pay of the Establishment	...	1,973	12	4
Contingencies	...	1,281	4	4
Travelling allowance	...	973	12	13
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Total...	5,728	1	5	
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I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,
R. VASUDEVA PODUVAL,
Superintendent of Archaeology.

APPENDIX A.

List of places visited by the Superintendent of Archaeology.

*Chingam.**Dhanu.*

Darśanamēōpe
Kurattiyara
Nanjikupavan Vila
Tōnnel
Ālwaya
Edava
Cochin
Kōṭṭar

Marutūrkuļaṅgara
Trikkakara
Makaram.
Pūñjār
Irāttupēṭṭa
Bharapāṭṭhanam
Tiruvattar
Valvācchakōṭṭam
Atchencoil gap

Kanni.

Nāṭṭakam
Tenmalai
Tēvalakara
Sāstāmukōṭṭa
Kaṭinankulam
Parakkai
Perunpajuttr
Vindankōṭṭa

Kumbham.

Vycoṭne
Ettumānūr
Kulaśekaram
Kaṇṭānkuļaṅgara
Tiruvālūr
Alehgad
Köttappuram
Alikōde

Tulām.

Neyyāttinkura
Trīkulaṅgara
Klāṅgad
Munampam
Padmanābhapuram
Śuchindram

Minam.

Pallikkal
Agastīśvaram
Mutṭam
Tāmarakulam
Bharapikkāvū
Nurnad
Kōoni

Vrischikam.

Atchenpudur
Elattur
Āyikudi
Chenkōṭṭa
Āruvāmoḷi
Tiruvīḍakōdu
Tugavūr

Mēdam.

Vempūram
Tinnevelli
Śrivilliputtar

Idavom.

Nāvāyikuļam
Varāppula
Kiličur
Međavārppāra

Mithunam.

Kainakari
Cape Comorin
Vāriyur
Kajakkamēigalam
Manakkal
Pudur
Puļiyaya
Iravipuram

Karkadakam.

Puliyur
Badhanur
Titavauvandur
Malayātīur
Eraniel
Tikkuriechi
Manalikkara
Kuļattupula

List of places visited by Pandit-Assistant during 1106.

Konni.

Kaṭinankulam
Pāyaṭala
Perumpajutur
Chenkōṭṭa
Vindankōṭṭa
Puļiyaya

Makaram.

Archankōil valley

Kumbham.

Agastīvaram

*Medam.**Tudām.*

Trikkulāṅgara

Suchindram

Vrischikam.

Muppendal
Tōttiyođu
Tiruvīdaikkōdu

Karkadakam.

Trichur
Tali
Parampantali
Aviṭṭattur
Taļnikādu,

} Cochin State.

APPENDIX B.

List of photos taken during the year 1106.

		Full plate.
1 to 3	View of Kōvalam	
4	View of Trikkāṇagiri	Do.
5	<i>Tiruvābhāraṇam</i> (Jewellery) of Śučindram temple	Do.
6	Big Nandi in front of the Tāṇumālāyan shrine of Śučindram	Do.
7	Guruḍa image in the same temple	Do.
8	View of the temple and tank at Elattūr	Do.
9	General view of the Elattūr temple	Do.
10	General view of the Kālakāṇḍasvāmī temple at Āyikudi	Do.
11	View of the temple at Kāṅgad	Do.
12	View of the Perumāl temple at Chencōṭṭa	Do.
13	View of the Alagiyamāṇavāla Perumāl temple at Chencōṭṭa	Do.
14	View of the three mūḍhas of (Chēra, Chōla and Pāṇḍya) at Muppandal	Do.
15	Mud images at Muppandal	Do.
16	General view of the temple at Tirunakkara (Kottayam)	Do.
17	Kuttambalam in the same temple	Do.
18	General view of the temple at Ettumānūr	Do.
19	<i>Tiruvābhāraṇam</i> (Jewellery) in the same temple	Do.
20	Seven and half elephants (covered by gold) gift of Manōrama Tampuratti in the same temple	Do.
21	Old painting of Nāṭaraja in the same temple	Do.
22	Do. Do.	Do.
23	View of the temple at Udayanāspuram (near Vyeome)	Do.
24	View of the fort gate (Köttavāl at Atchenkoil Gap	Do.
25	Do. with images	Do.

26	View of the Atchencoil Hill	Full plate.
27	Bronze images inside the Museum, Trivandrum	Do.
28	Bronze lamps with the box inside the Museum Trivandrum	Do.
29	Bronze vessels in the same place	Do. Half plate.
30	View of the hill and temple at Tōvāja	Do.
31	View of the temple at Tiruviḍaikkōdu	Do.
32 to 40	Kathakali poses	Quarter plate.
41 to 44	Finger signs in Kathakali	Full plate



APPENDIX—C.

List of additions to the Library.

- 1 Kerala Society papers.
- 2 History of Travancore—(Krishna Pisharody).
- 3 The little Oxford Dictionary.
- 4 Roget's Thesaurus.
- 5 Studies in Tamil Literature and History—(Ramachandra Dikshitar).
- 6 Indian Architecture according Mānasāra Silpasāstra—(P. K. Acharya).
- 7 Hindu Political theories—(Jayaswal).
- 8 Mirror of Indian art—(Venkataschalam).
- 9 Anthropology—(Marett).
- 10 The Vishṇudharmottara—(Stella Kramrisch, Ph. D.).
- 11 Historical sketches of Ancient Deccan—(Subramany Iyer).
- 12 Pre-historic India—(Mitra).
- 13 Comparative Religion—(Macdonell).
- 14 South Indian Portraits in stone and metal—(Aravamuthan).
- 15 History of Kerala Vol. II—(Padmanabha Menon).
- 16 Memoirs of the Archaeological Survey of India No. 37.
- 17 Malabar Government Museum bulletins.
- 18 Quarterly journal of Mythic society.
- 19 Epigraphy India Part VIII, Vol. XIX.
- 20 Malayalam Translation of the Ashtādāta Purāna.
- 21 An Introduction of Hindu dancing—(Sri Ragini).
- 22 Indian Images Part I—(Bhattacharya).
- 23 The substance of Indian faith—(Butterworth).
- 24 Religion and folk-lore of North India—(Crooke).
- 25 South Indian images of Gods and Goddesses—(Krishna Sastri).
- 26 The Daśarupa of Dhananjaya—(Haas).
- 27 Village Gods of South India—(Whitehead).
- 28 Castes and tribes of South India (Vol. I to VII)—(Thurston).
- 29 Chronological list of Inscriptions of Padukōṭṭa State arranged according to dynasties.

30 Incription Texts of Padukkātīpa.
 31 Natyādātra.
 32 Bulletin of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.
 33 Dictionary of Malayalam Phrases and Idioms Vol. I.
 34 Trivandrum Sanskrit Series Nos. 100 to 105.
 35 Sri Mulam Malayalam Series Nos. 24 and 25.
 36 Sri Vañchi Setu Lakshmi Series 12 to 14.
 37 Le Monde Orientale.
 38 Viāvabhārati quarterly.
 39 Dwaja.
 40 Annual Report of the Cochin Archaeological Department.
 41 Annual Report of South Indian Epigraphy.
 42 Do. of the Mysore Archaeological Department.
 43 Do. of the Ceylon Archeological Department.



APPENDIX D.

*Portuguese Tomb Stones unearthed during the
Cochin Harbour works.

1 SEPVLTVRA
DAMTONIO RAPOSO: EDESEVS: HE
RDEIROS
(Sepulchre of Antony
Raposo and of his heirs)

2 ESTA SEPVE
TVRA HE DE
LVIS FRZMA
SENEIRO EDE
SEVSER DEI
ROS
(This sepulchre is of Luis
Fernandez sculptor
and of his heirs).

3 S. De. Isa
beL. M.B.
Ede. Seus
Deoedetc,
(Sepulchre of
Isabel M. B. and her
descendents).

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S.D.P.VA
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EROAE. D.
SVAMO
LHER. FE
LIPA. D. VA.
SCOSELO
S. ESEVS
ERDEROS
(sepulchre of P. Vas of Figueroa
and his wife Felipa
of Vascancello and of their heirs).

5 S. PERPETVA D. BRIIS. LCO
 A COSTA CAVALRO FI
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 A MANDO ZIR P. H. V.
 PAFFENOSO F. M.
 FAIFSO F. M.

Perpetual grave of Briss Laurencio Da' Costa Knight
 Noble of the House of His Majesty—Worthy captain
 of Nagappatam and of Ushendnatur—there from the city
 of FLK whence I order this to come—Requests one
 our Father and Hail. Mary: Father and his son family.

6 ESTA SEP
 VLTVRA.
 HE DE + DEN
 IS + SOAKES +
 EDESEVS ER
 DEi ROS +
 (This sepulchre is of
 Denis Soares and of his heirs.)

7 AOVI: IAZ: IORZE:
 FERNADEZATEO
 FINALIVIZO: FAL
 ECEO: AOSVIMT
 EDOVS: DEDEZE
 MBRO: DEIS 65
 ANOS
 (Here lays Jorge Fernandez
 till the final Judgment. He
 died on 22nd Dec. being 65
 years old.)

8 ESTA SEPV
 LTVRA HE DE
 HEITOR LOPES
 PEDEPATA
 EDESEVS
 HERDEIROS.

FALECEONA
ERA E
ANNOS

(This sepulchre is of Heitor Lopes
Pedepata and of his heirs.
Died in Era of years.)

9 ESTACEPV
LTVRA HE.
DE ALVARO
MANCIASE
RADE. HE. D
E. SEVS. HE
RDEIROS
1624

(This sepulchre
is of Alvaro Mancias and of his
heirs 1624.)

10 ESTA SEPVL
TVRA HE DE
MANOEL MA
SIASEDE SEV
SERDEIROS
AOI IAS DO
NA MARIA
DARAVIOSV
AMOLHE

(This sepulchre is of Manoel
Mancias and of his heirs . . .
Here lies D Maria Da Ravio his wife.

11 ADEFRANCIS ♂
ROIZ EDE SEV SERDEIR ♂. FALE ♂
OA, 27 DE OVTv
BRo. D. 1600 PA. AV. PRFL PPST ERDMR S
o o AIS
Sepulchre of Francis Roiz
and of his heirs
died on 27th of Octr. 1600
Our Father—Hail Mary.

12 S. DEIOAM FREIREVELHO
 CAVALEIRO FIDALGO. D.
 AORDEM. DAVIS. ESVMO
 LHER KABEL. COREA. BOVE
 M. ELES. NOMEAREM. FAL.
 E. CEO. OANO. DE. S. 84.
 (Sepulchre of Joad Freire Velho knight of the order
 of Avis and his wife (Izel)
 Elizabeth Correia and (of those) whom they will
 nominate. He died in the year of
 (O) Lord 84 (?).

*I am indebted to Rev. Fr. Godhinbo the parish
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 the English translation of these Portuguese epitaphs.



APPENDIX E.

Lithic inscriptions copied during the year 1106 M. E.

No.	Place	Dynasty.	King.	Date.	Language.	Remarks.
1	On a rock lying south of the Agastisvaram Temple, Agastisvaram.	...	Ko. 614 Mukara 4.	Tamil	This record is a continuation of 6 of 1103.	
2	On the same place	Do.	...	Do.	Do.	Is a continuation of 7 of 1103.
3	On the base of the north wall of the Central shrine of the Andal temple Srivilliputtar	Do.	Sankaranarayana Venkateswara	Ko. 709 Adu 16 Su. Runa nkonda Padicham	Do.	Registers a gift of deed to the trustees of the Nkojyiar temple of Srivilliputtar by the king for conducting the service Viramarttandam, sandhi and for celebrating avatari day every month.
4	On the south wall of the Central shrine Perumal temple, Srivilliputtar.	Do.	Bhoothala VI. Wednesday Uchiya Martaipu Varuam	Do.	Do.	Registers that the king, while he was camping at Villiyur made a gift of land Sattipallam to conduct the service called Viramarttandam-sandhi, to feed 33 Brahmans, and to celebrate the Star svasti every month.

5 On the west wall of Travancore¹ the third Prakara (inside) of Nelliyappar temple, Tiruvally.

Sunkiliyira² Saka 1468³ Tamil Martanda Ko. 721 Chittira 25.

6

Do.

Do.

Records that the images of 63 Nayars and 9 other saints were made of copper, due *praya*s given, and a *rayapam* was constructed. Lands were given in addition to those already given and taxes *malai*, *marugai*, *penainkodam*, *palikavalai*, etc., etc., utilised to make some addition in the *masarpa*.

While the king was camping at Cheravannamülevi, he made a gift of land in Kungattar - parru with boundaries marked, for conducting the service Saikili-Vira-Maritanda Varman sandi and for *aryayam* in the shrines of Tirukkama-kottattu- Aludaiya Naechiyar and Nayinar, in the temple of Tirunelveli Udaya Nayinar. Reference also is made to the *aryapani* made by the uncle of the king.

19

7 On the same

...

Do. Says that Sundararu Kolari alias Tondaiman approves the gift of the village Kuppiyakudi of Ambikaga Vakkan⁴ alias Ravivarna Chaturvedimangalam and defines the four boundaries of the village.

Lithic inscriptions copied during the year 1106 M. E.—(contd.)

No.	Place.	Dynasty.	King.	Date.	Language.	Remarks.
8	On the base of central shrine of the Subrahmanyam temple Parimpo Tali	...	Ko. Adiccha 5th Year Iruji-Trainer Jupiter in alias Irata-Makarum ticcha ...	Vatteluttu	Fragmentary.	
9	On the base of the ruined <i>Nalambala</i> in front of the Siva temple at Parampottoli	...	Bharmidhara Jupiter in Rayira-Tiro Mesta Mividhi of Parrapor	Do.		Registers a <i>Sanketam</i> between the <i>var</i> of Tiruporimbil and the <i>kali</i> of Amioliukku
10	On the stone kept in the church of Talaiakadu near Avittattur.	Chera	Rajaaimha Perumal	Do.		States that the <i>var</i> of Talaiakadu gave a piece of land to certain <i>ayippayars</i> for erecting stalls; the boundaries of the land are also detailed.
11	On a slab in the <i>edamaddam</i> of Tali temple at Tali (right side)	Do.	Bhaskara-Kavirter in Tulusm	Do.		Refers to a <i>Kachcham</i> transacted by the master of 18 <i>vali</i> and <i>akki</i> - <i>karikais</i> of Nitayavicharevaru and states that from the land belonging to Sri Jidhwa Naenmaechi alias Thihavuna-Mackevi, a certain quantity of paddy be given for <i>Sanketam</i> etc.,

12	Do.	44	Jupiter in Karkadaka and in Simha	Do.	When Kumaran Iravi of Marindu was ruling the country certain transactions were made by the Tali and Tali Adhikarar of Nityavichārāram on one side and the Padmāyar of Nedumpuray on the other side, and subsequently when Kaṇḍan Kumaran of Talakulam was reigning, Iravikṣayapiran of Nedumpuray, the Padmāyar, confirmed the deed with some changes, gave a tiravu-titū to the Tali and Tali Adhikarar of Nityavichārāram. Fragmentary and damaged.
13	On the same	44	...	Do.	
14	Do.	44	Y4kō Irāyur 2 + 8 Jupiter in Karkadaka Mī.	Do.	Partly damaged. Seems to state that while Marindu Kumaran Iravi was ruling the country, certain transaction was made.
15	Do. (left side)	Chāra	K5,K5tai 17th year Iravi Jupiter in Mithunam	Do	Refers to a transaction made by the Taliyar and Taliyutikarar of Nityavichārāram.
16	Do.	Do.	K5,Indrīya-11 + 6 Jupiter in Kāni	Do.	Refers to an agreement between the Nattar of 18 districts and Adhikarar of Nityavichārāram on one side and Iyakkan..... on the other and states that paddy be measured on festivals etc.

Lithic Inscriptions copied during the year 1106 M. E.—(contd.)

No.	Place.	Dynasty.	King.	Date.	Language.	Remarks.
17	On the suno	...	...	...	Vaṭṭaluttu	Fragmentary. Seems to refer to some provisions made for <i>Pūjās</i> .
18	Do.	...	...	...	Do.	Do.
19	On a slab paved in Chera Front of the central shrine, Siva tem- ple, Ayyittūr	Kōtai-Iravī	20th year Viśichchā Jupiter in Kāma	Do.	States that some lands were set apart to the temple and mentions the <i>Āyirat</i> and <i>Irupateśvar</i> .	
20	Do.	...	...	Do.	Do.	Damaged. Mentions the "Āyirat" or of Avittūr.
21	Do.	...	...	Do.	Do.	Damaged.
22	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Refers to some gift for conducting <i>pūjās</i> .
23	On the base of the Srīmālasthūm in front of the Va- dakunmathū temple, Trichūr.	...	...	...	Malayalam and Sanskrit	Fragmentary. Mentions Ravivit.

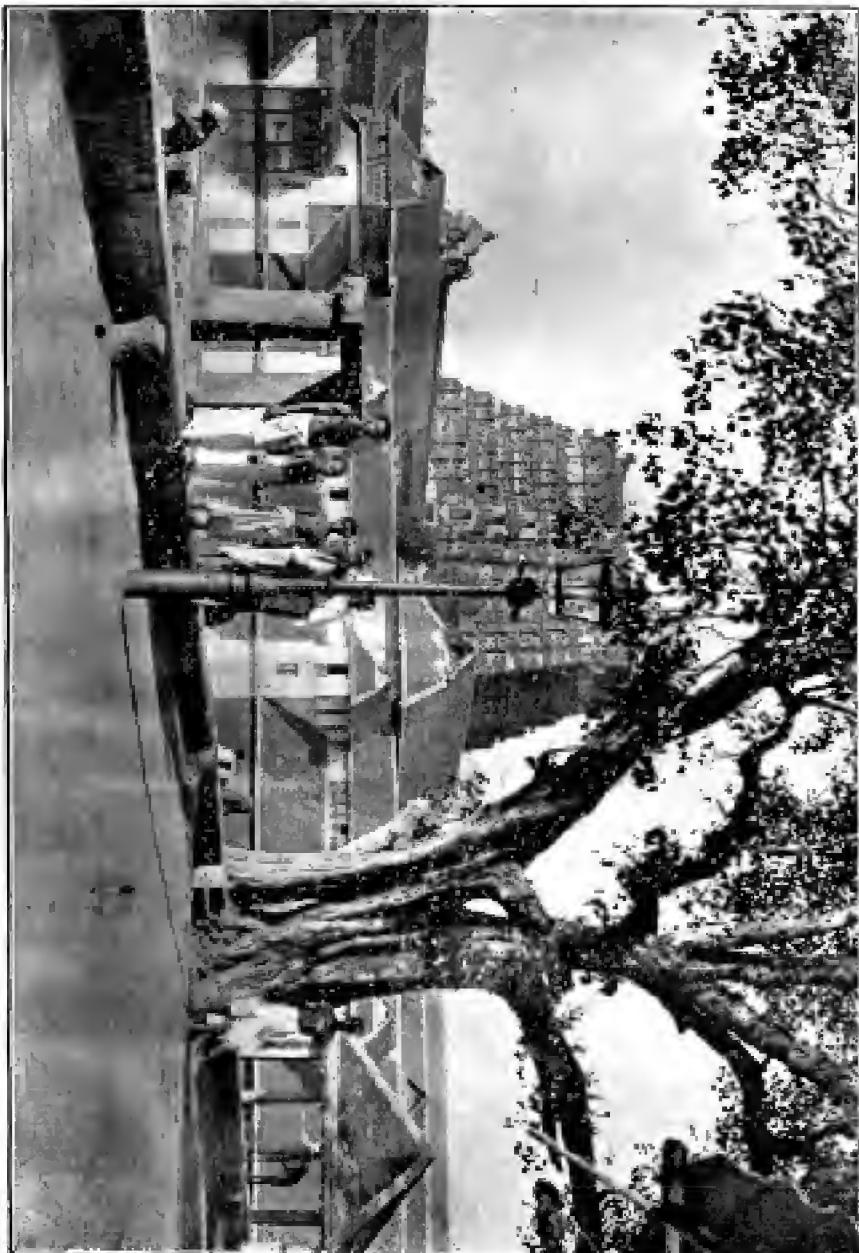
24	Do.	...	...	Dhamu	Do.	Mentions that Javvila of Ven-
25	Do,	Year Servi- da Mar. kali 2*	Do.	kuvarādu made the stone base- ment.

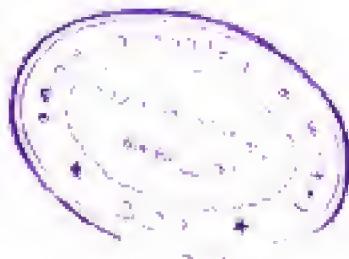




VIEW OF THE MUDWALL PAGODA.

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